

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: ) **Group Art Unit: 3733**  
David L. Brock, et al. ) **Confirmation No. : 9975**  
Serial No.: 10/010,150 ) **Examiner: Philogene, Pedro**  
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